

RUFF KING MODEL

Gentleness of Man Charged With Murder Mystifying. Cares for Unfortunates in Jail—Holds Worship Sacred.

WOULDN'T "SNITCH" ON PAL

Relatives Spend Lifetime Savings to Fight Prosecution. Even County Officials Change Attitude Toward Prisoner.

Hands which, it is claimed, choked the life out of three men have proven to be soft and caressing as the hands of a mother.

Eyes said to have gleamed with the light of murder in numerous fights have been known to glaze with tears for a sick sister or an unfortunate child.

The same man accused of being one of the most brutal murderers in criminal history in Kansas has chosen solitary confinement rather than a life in prison on his part in misfortune in the Shawnee county jail.

Day by day officers in charge of the Shawnee county jail are finding the reason why the brothers, sisters and wife of Rufe King, accused of triple murder, are spending the savings of their lives in defending him, is that Rufe King is the brute pictured by state officers preventing him he is the most typical "Doctor Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" ever introduced to police officers in this city.

First insight into another Rufe King was given to the public a few weeks after his arrest when a sister in mourning pleaded with tears in her eyes for permission to send a barber into the jail to shave the giant from Maple Hill.

She knew Rufe King as a brother who fought for her in their childhood days as a young man whose eyes filled with tears when she lay ill at home with the measles and as a brother who saw that his sisters had an opportunity to "go to the church fair" and that the country beaux wanted to take them, or not.

"Much," said police officers at the time when they read the article.

Officials Change Attitude.

Today, they begin to see the Rufe King seen thru the eyes of his sister. They have gone into the "bull pen" in the county jail to find the big, burly fellow standing at the cot of an unfortunate dope fiend or sick man, gladly attending to his every want. Now whenever anyone is ill in the county jail Rufe King is the willing and self appointed nurse.

Then, there was the day when a bottle of muriatic acid and steel saws were smuggled into the jail in preparation for a wholesale escape.

The photo was taken by the vigilance of the jailer and an investigation was started. Rufe King went into solitary confinement rather than to the "bull pen" on a cot. The jailer planned the escape told it all and sent the man on the outside, who aided him, to state prison in an effort to clear himself.

Whenever the public thinks of a good "cousin" they say: "He would be like Rufe King."

The big fellow's command of the language that isn't printed has aroused the wonderment of the most proficient profanity handlers in the city. Yet, when a man from the Salvation Army was holding a meeting at the county jail and a crazy man attempted to break up the meeting, Rufe King, born in the atmosphere of a Christian family, was the man who picked the disturber up and placed him on a cot. True, Rufe King is a little snubbed around when he told the offense justified the words used by King at the time.

Rufe's relatives never forget him. They take cigars and food to him every few days and Rufe gets less of it than any one else in the jail.

"He approves of anything we do for him," said the lady today. "We always can depend on anything he says he will do."

25 YEARS AGO IN TOPEKA

From the columns of THE TOPEKA STATE JOURNAL

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The toast program for the Kansas Day which is to be held in Topeka, January 29, has been completed and is as follows: President P. P. Campbell will make the opening address; Charles M. Shelton of Burlington will respond to the toast "Kansas."

The other speakers are W. H. Hook, Lawrenceburg; Ed H. Madison, Dodge City; J. B. Turle, One Center; J. B. Turle, Topeka; H. M. Tucker, South Center; John Landrum, Pittsburg; T. A. McNeil, Topeka; Z. T. Armstrong, Arkansas City; representatives of the Republican clubs of the State University and Baker university.

Mrs. Charles S. Eagle is a painter of china. Mrs. Eagle attended with her daughter, Mrs. A. Bischoff and George Layth, two of the most celebrated artists in their line in America.

The Peace club met Tuesday afternoon with Miss Julia Street, and elected officers as follows: President, Miss Beale Gibson; secretary, Miss Jessie Smith; treasurer, Miss Frances Littlefield.

Miss Daisy Sampson, Miss Minnie Marsh, Miss Alice Atwood, Miss Kitty Lindsey, Mrs. Annie Jenkins and Miss Della Smith have a club organization in contemplation, which will probably be known as the Round About Club. The object of the club will be the chief object and pastime.

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ONCE HE JUST FOUND "TIEN"

And It Came in Handy for He Needed It Badly. Topeka Philosopher, 78, Also Tells Secret of Health.

There is one man in Topeka for whom the high cost of living has no terrors. He is Charles L. Berner, 423 Kansas avenue, who has always been given financial aid when it was needed and care when he was sick or afflicted.

Auto Mr. Berner was knocked down the day before Thanksgiving by an automobile and injured so he had to be taken to a hospital he is now back at his office and almost recovered.

Mr. Berner's life story is a series of ups and downs but always when things look dark some one turns up to give him help or almost miraculously he finds much needed money. Last year when he was in debt an Englishman called at his office and after talking with him a while inquired if he loved his enemies. "Yes, indeed," was Mr. Berner's reply. Excused approval of his attitude the stranger asked if there was any debts he had unpaid that was worrying him. Mr. Berner told him of the money he owed. Whereupon the stranger pulled out a large bill and handed it to him, saying he would return it in a few days with the rest of the money Berner needed. This he did, never giving his name nor asking for more than a thank you.

Aided by Manufacturer. Several years ago when Mr. Berner was in Chicago, he said, a man who was head of a big soap factory asked him a similar question. Was there anything he could do for him? He was in debt \$300 and asked the man to lend him \$100. This the manufacturer did, nor would he take note for the amount and when later Mr. Berner tried to pay it he was refused the privilege.

A third instance that gives this elderly man faith for the future was when he was needing \$10. With mind intent on his business he wandered out of his way and when he stopped to get his bearings he found at his feet a \$10 bill.

He does not try to explain the good fortune that is his but he can explain why he has such robust health altho he is 78 years old. He has a systematic and systematic set of physical exercises which he never misses. And in the summer he takes long walks and swims every day.

For a number of years this elderly man has been a daily frequenter of Gage park, and his daily walks with younger swimmers would hesitate and dread the plunge, he would dive right in. He is planning to visit his cousin some summer after he has retired from business. He is a notary public.

Is of German Birth. Mr. Berner is of German birth and came to this country in 1864. He went first to St. Louis and from there he came to Topeka. He later taught in a German school near Alma. This he made his home in Wisconsin for a while and then returned to Topeka, where he has lived since.

Mr. Berner declares he has had a hard life, but "thanks to the grace of God and the kindness of men," he has always found help when he needed it. He is planning to continue to the end of his days, a time he considers long way off owing to his unusual good health.

PLAN PROGRAM HERE

Baptist Churches of Kansas Work Out \$100,000,000 Campaign.

Baptist churches of the state are establishing a department of promotion in connection with the Kansas Baptist convention headquarters, which will be brought to Topeka, Jan. 29. Preparations are being made in the state for the campaign of the National Baptists to obtain \$100,000,000 for the extension of missionary and benevolent enterprises, including an extension of missionary forces throughout the world, strengthening of colleges and educational institutions and enlargement of hospitals.

The campaign will be launched January 1, but the actual financial canvass will not begin until a few months later. The Baptist program will be carried out in co-operation with the Interchurch World Movement.

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 6:1-8.

Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Honor thy father and thy mother: (which is the first commandment with promise.)

That may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth. And ye, fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Servants, be obedient to the Lord, as unto Christ: Not with eye-service, as men-pleasers; but as the servants of God, doing the will of God from the heart; as to the Lord, and not to men.

Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether he be bond or free.

At the present time whooping cough is the most prevalent disease in Topeka. Since October 1 a total of 53 cases have been reported to the health department. Ten of these cases have been reported since December 1. A large number of the 53 cases were reported by parents of the children.

Whooping cough occurs chiefly in children. It is a disease of the lining of the air passages and is characterized by a violent paroxysmal cough. The germ causing the disease has not been as yet definitely isolated, but because of the epidemic onset the contagiousness and the whole course of the disease, it is positive proof that it is of an infectious nature. It is an epidemic in Hamburg. Investigators found it very closely resembling the germ of influenza. Whooping Cough occurs rarely after the age of twenty and Edgewood estimates that 45 per cent of the cases occur in females. Occurs most often in winter and cooler months. It is rare in warm climates, but when present runs its full course.

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Local News Events of the Past Week

As Depicted By Bolmar

SUNDAY. MONDAY. TUESDAY. WEDNESDAY.



Lack of horses no bar to those who desired an old fashioned sleigh ride. Wood fuel prices fixed by local price fixing committee pleased neither consumer nor dealer. Enthusiastic Washburn music students found way of continuing organ practice despite the fuel shortage. School buildings opened to allow children who simply must study to get their books.

THURSDAY. FRIDAY. SATURDAY. FORECAST.



"Pants Thief" met his "Waterloo" at hands of colorado huckster whom he attempted to rob. Topeka recovering from one "bilk" Jack Frost, got another from the same source. Many Topeka interested in the big wolf hunt pulled out at Silver Lake. The Kansas State Horticultural society meeting Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week.

3 to 4 weeks, but it may also require months. The attacks become less frequent and less violent. From the complications that develop, the stage of decline is the most dangerous. May Affect Lungs. Complications are to be feared in every case of whooping cough. Because of the severe and frequent outbreaks of coughing, the little sacks in the lungs become enlarged and in some cases after recovery they do not return to normal but pass into a condition known as "Chronic Pulmonary Emphysema." Bronchitis often persists for months after the recovery of whooping cough and many cases of chronic bronchitis in adults may be traced back to an attack of whooping cough in childhood. Bronchitis pneumonia is another complication and occurs most often during the convalescent stage.

Tuberculosis may involve the lungs or the glands in the chest. It occurs especially after whooping cough with measles. Pre-existing tuberculosis renders the outcome of whooping cough very unfavorable. Tuberculosis as a complication develops in the convalescent stage without any sharp distinction. The regulations of the state board of health require that the premises shall be infectious, contagious and communicable and require the disease to be reported to health authorities. Also required that the premises shall be placarded for a minimum duration of 6 weeks after the development of the disease or one week after the last case. Even the bit of sentiment which is a characteristic of whooping cough requirements are that no person under 14 years of age except those who have had the disease shall be permitted to leave the quarantined home.

Health and Happiness

DISCUSSIONS OF DISEASES THAT MUST BE MET IN NEARLY EVERY HOUSEHOLD.

BY DR. EARLE G. BROWN, Health Officer, City of Topeka.

(First of a series of health articles to appear every Saturday evening in The State Journal.)

A great many persons while familiar with infectious and contagious diseases, to a certain extent, are not aware that the great danger lies in the complications that arise. It is not possible to lay down any set rules to enable persons to diagnose cases. Cases vary and not every case has a definite chain of symptoms characteristic of the disease. The average doctor spends four years in medical school before he receives his degree of doctor of medicine, and then he is placed in a hospital. He then enters the practice of medicine but he has spent all these years in the hospital. He is not to take care of persons who are sick. Therefore, when sickness occurs the doctor should be prevented from taking care of persons who are ill, is his life's business.

It is the purpose of any article issued from the health department to give the readers ideas on subjects that are of vital interest to all persons and in one way to enable parents to protect the health of their children. Should Know Symptoms. There are certain signs and symptoms in certain diseases that persons should be familiar with and by recognizing these, will call a doctor who will recognize the disease and if it is infectious or contagious make an effort to prevent its spread. The family will be placed under quarantine and in this way needless exposure of other persons to the disease will be prevented. As to treatment, sick persons cannot be successfully treated unless they have the personal attention of a doctor. In many cases a long sickness may be prevented by having the doctor call before the person really becomes sick. Many persons feel that it is a disgrace to have a quarantine sign tacked on the house showing that there is a case of infectious or contagious disease. Every person who has such a disease in the home should feel that they are public enemies and that they are a help in protecting the health of the neighborhood in which they are living.

There is a general feeling among a great number of people that a child should be allowed the chance of having infectious disease is epidemic for if "they are going to have it sometime, they might as well have it now and get it over with." Many persons go thru life without having some of the common communicable diseases and it is a criminal act to deliberately expose a child to any of the diseases common to childhood. In case there are several children in the family and one of them develops an infectious disease, every effort should be made to keep the well children away from the one that is sick.

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GOEBEL SLAYER FREE

Kentucky Returns Youtsey to Liberty and Rights of Citizenship.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 12.—Henry Youtsey, convicted in connection with the murder of Governor William Goebel of Kentucky twenty years ago, is now a free man, restored to all rights of citizenship after eighteen years' servitude. Governor James D. Black granted his pardon after Youtsey had been paroled December a year ago by the state board of prison commissioners.

The murder of Governor Goebel occurred shortly after a sharp election contest, both Republicans and Democrats claiming they had won. The governor was shot in the back as he was emerging from the state capital at Frankfort, and later Youtsey and four other politicians were tried and convicted on charges of implication. The remaining four persons have long since been pardoned.

POWER FABLE & FANCY

BY JAMES P. DE BEVERS KAYE.

THE VIOLET. Greek Legend.

When Orpheus, the god of music, with his lyre, charmed the birds and the beasts, even the rocks and the trees were moved by the beauty of the strains, and the flowers also came and danced around him. One day when he became exhausted by the passion of his own music, he sank upon a green bank to rest, and as he dropped his lyre fell from his hand. On the spot where it fell, as a tribute to Orpheus and the instrument that spoke in such heavenly strains, there sprang the beautiful purple violet.

Almost every classic writer has something to tell of the little flower. One story is that Juno, who was very jealous of her husband, and with good reason for Jupiter often neglected her and was given to amusing himself with the nymphs whenever he got a chance, was very much surprised to have it turn dark suddenly. Juno's suspicions were immediately aroused. She felt that Jupiter was trying to cover up something. She brushed the dark cloud away as soon as possible and saw Jupiter sitting quietly on the bank of a stream and weeping. A beautiful heifer feeding. But instead of feeding upon the grass she was calmly eating the purple violets which covered the ground. She suspected that

It was Juno who was correct in her conclusion. It was Juno, the daughter of Inachus, the winged god, with whom Jupiter had been keeping. He had changed her into a heifer at the approach of his wife. Juno had revenge. She led poor Juno to a terrible fate. Mercury finally persuaded her to let Jupiter go. Jupiter promised not to pay her any more attention, she was allowed to take her own form and was restored to her place.

From this story comes the Greek name of the violet, Ion, because wherever it went when she had the form of a heifer Jupiter caused the flowers to spring up for her to feed upon.

"I love all things the seasons bring. All buds that start, all birds that sing. All leaves that fall from white to red. All the sweet words that summer sends. When she comes her lovely friends, But chief—the Violet."

She comes, the first, the fairest thing That heaven upon the earth doth fling. She leaves from white to red. She dwells behind the leafy screen. And gives, as angels give, unceasing love—the Violet."

IN HOME, SCHOOL HEALER TO CITY

Secrets of Americanism Life Therein, Mrs. Perry Asserts. Dr. James M. Hickson at Grace Cathedral March 26 and 27.

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It is thru the home and school, working in unison, that the predominating characteristics of American citizenship may be developed. Mrs. Julia Perry, superintendent of the work of the Americanism League, declares in an article she has written dealing with "Real Citizenship Developed Thru Home and School."

Parents and school must work untidily and harmoniously, she declares. The home must be dear to the toiling parent; the occupants must be dignified and the school building made attractive as well as sanitary and healthful.

The work of the schools, says Mrs. Perry, "must be accomplished whether the home training teacher that degree of perfection we desire or not. Our schools rightfully have a purpose of their own. To understand and promote that purpose is the prime duty of every parent and American citizen."

Decrees "Romantic Notions." "Girls ought to be able to play with boys and boys with girls, without being taunted about caring for each other. Let them like one another in the way that is natural for a child without being reminded of romantic notions existing among them. Let them be sweet, gentle and child-like. Let it be far from those who have the care of these angels of the home and care of their minds with foolish glee and fill their minds with foolish sentimental ideas. The average girl of today has distorted ideas and is so self-conscious that it makes us sorry she has been taught false notions of the things that mean so much to her as a individual."

Webster, Clay and Lincoln had the foundation principles of their greatness laid in the home. The patriotic songs they heard, the patriotic stories told around the fireside by father and mother and the stern duties required of them all went to shape characters that were as unyielding to any departure from right as granite is harder than common rock. Our respect for the authority of the state is determined by our home and school training. This being true, it is nothing left for the state to do. As parents, as teachers, as citizens we must lay the foundation of character in the home. The instrumentality in the school room, more potent than any other, is the soul and spirit of the teacher. The instrumentality in the home is the mother.

Looks for Public Sentiment. "We hope the time is not far distant when public sentiment will so manifestly be for the right that we will emerge from the shadows of what has been and fix our eyes on the heights of what is to be. The ship of education will then be lifted from out the sea of a custom-bound past and we will begin to live and act in the golden now."

Seven Sentence Sermons. Burning the candle at both ends is a poor way to make both ends meet—Aunt. Yes, every sin is a mistake, and the epitaph for the sinner is, "Thou Fool."—Alexander MacLaren.

Four things a man must learn to do, if he would make his record true: To think without confusion, clearly; To love his fellowmen sincerely; To act from honest motives purely; To trust in God and heaven securely.—Van Dyke.

Not what has happened to myself today but what has happened to others thru me—that should be my motto.—Frederick Deering Hulse.

Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.—1 Cor. 16:13.

Of all thoughts of God that are borne inward into souls afar, Along the pathway of duty deep, Now tell me if there any is, For gift or grace bestowed thus, 'Tis given him beloved sleep.—Mrs. Browning.

An aim in life is the only fortune worth the finding; and it is not to be found in the finding, but in the heart itself.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

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The Church Unity services will be postponed for the present.